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THE MINT AND ITS BRANCHES.

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

TRANSMITTING

The annual report of the director of the mint at Philadelphia.

JANUARY 22, 1849.

Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

To the House of Representatives of the United States:

I transmit herewith the annual report of the director of the mint at Philadelphia, showing the operations of the mint and branch mints for the year 1848.

JAMES K. POLK.

WASHINGTON, *January* 22, 1849.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Philadelphia, January 16, 1849.

SIR: I have the honor of presenting the following report of the operations of the mint and its branches, during the past year.

The coinage of the principal mint in 1848 amounted to $3,265,138, comprising $2,780 930 in gold, $420,050 in silver, and $64,158 in copper coins, and composed of 8,691,444 pieces. The deposits for coinage amounted to $2,584,460 in gold, and $466,732 in silver.

At the New Orleans branch mint, the coinage amounted to

$1,978,500; comprising $358,500 in gold, and $1,620,000 in silver coins, and composed of 3,815,850 pieces. The deposits for coinage amounted to $183,360 in gold, and $1,659,774 in silver.

The branch mint at Charlotte received during the year deposites of gold to the value of $370,779, and its coinage amounted to $364,330, composed of 64,472 half eagles, and 16,788 quarter eagles.

The branch mint at Dahlonega received during the year deposites of gold to the value of $274,473, and its coinage amounted to $271,752½, composed of 47,465 half eagles, and 13,771 quarter eagles.

The deposites at the four mints during the year amounted in all to $5,539,598; of which $3,413,092 was in gold, and $2,126,506 in silver. The whole coinage amounted to $5,879,720½, composed of $3,775,512½ in gold, $2,040,050 in silver, and $64,158 in copper coins.

Other statements relative to the operations of the year, and former years, are presented in the subjoined tables. In that which gives the amounts of deposites of gold from mines in the United States, two new columns are opened, with deposites received from New Mexico and California, since their annexation. The deposites received are as yet small, but there is every reason to believe that the gold to be obtained from these sources will be of great amount.

I have the honor to be, with great respect, your faithful servant,

R. M. PATTERSON,
Director U. S. Mint.

To the PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

A.

Statement of deposites and coinage at the mint of the United States and branches in the year 1848.

MINTS.	DEPOSITES.									
	GOLD.					SILVER.				TOTAL.
	U. S. coins, old standard.	Foreign coins.	United States bullion.	Foreign bullion.	Total.	Foreign coins.	Foreign bullion.	U. States bullion.	Total.	Gold and silver.
	Dollars.	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*	*Dollars.*
Charlotte, N. C.	.....	.....	370,799	.....	370,799	.....	.....	.....	.....	370,799
Dahlonega, Geo	.....	.....	274,473	.....	274,473	.....	.....	.....	.....	274,473
New Orleans	1,843	151,414	12,589	17,484	183,360	1,460,052	199,722	.....	1,659,774	1,843,134
Philadelphia	28,004	2,182,540	241,544	132,372	2,584,460	329,531	131,010	6,191	466,732	3,051,192
	29,847	2,333,984	899,405	149,856	3,413,092	1,789,583	330,732	6,191	2,126,506	5,539,598

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MINTS.	COINAGE													
	GOLD.				SILVER.						COPPER.		TOTAL.	
	Eagles.	Half eagles.	Quarter eagles.	Value.	Dollars	Half dollars.	Quart'r dollars.	Dimes.	Half dimes.	Value.	Cents.	Value.	Number.	Value.
	Pieces	*Pieces.*	*Pieces*	*Dollars.*	*Pieces*	*Pieces.*	*Pieces.*	*Pieces.*	*Pieces.*	*Dollars.*	*Pieces.*	*Dols. cts.*	*Pieces.*	*Dolls. cts.*
Charlotte, N. Carolina..	.....	64,472	16,788	364,330 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81,260	364,330 00
Dahlongea, Georgia...	.....	47,465	13,771	271,752 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61,236	271,752 50
N. Orleans..	35,850	.....	.....	358,500 00	.....	3,180,000	.....	.....	600,000	1,620,000	.....	.....	3,815,850	1,978,500 00
Philadelphia.	145,484	260,775	8,886	2,780,930 00	15,000	580,000	146,000	451,500	668,000	420,050	6,415,799	61,157 99	8,691,441	3,265,137 99
	181,334	372,712	39,445	3,775,512 50	15,000	3,760,000	146,000	451,500	1,268,000	2,040,050	6,415,799	64,157 99	12,649,790	5,879,720 49

B.

Statement of the annual amounts of deposites of gold for coinage at the mint of the United States and its branches from mines in the United States.

Periods.	Deposited at the United States mint.									
	Virginia.	North Carolina.	South Carolina.	Georgia.	Tennessee.	Alabama.	New Mexico.	California.	Various sources.	Total at the U. States mint.
1824	.....	$5,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$5,000
1825	.....	17,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,000
1826	.....	20,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,000
1827	.....	21,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,000
1828	.....	46,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46,000
1829	$2,500	134,000	$3,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	140,000
1830	24,000	204,000	26,000	$212.000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	466,000
1831	26,000	294,000	22.000	176,000	$1,000	.....	.....	.....	$1,000	520,000
1832	34,000	458,000	45,000	140,000	1,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	678,000
1833	104,000	475,000	66,000	216,000	7,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	868,000
1834	62,000	380,000	38,000	415,000	3,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	898,000
1835	60,400	263,500	42,400	319,900	100	.....	.....	.....	12,200	698,500
1836	62,000	148,100	55,200	201,400	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	467,000
1837	52,100	116,900	29,400	83,600	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	282,000
1838	55,000	66,000	13,000	36,000	1,500	.....	.....	.....	200	171,700
1839	57,600	53,500	6,300	20,300	300	$500	.....	.....	.....	138,500
1840	38,935	36,804	5,319	91,113	104	4,431	.....	.....	.....	176,766
1841	25,736	76,431	3,440	139,796	1,212	1,863	.....	.....	.....	248,478
1842	42,163	61,629	223	150,276	.....	5,579	.....	.....	13.717	273.587
1843	48,148	62,873	5,099	56,619	2,788	4,786	.....	.....	415	180,728
1844	40,595	194,917	11,856	30,739	2,240	12,298	.....	.....	2,377	295,022
1845	86,783	365,886	5,386	17,325	3,202	6,472	.....	.....	4,328	489,382
1846	55,538	286,105	100,641	13,601	2,612	7,542	.....	.....	.....	466,069
1847	67,736	99,491	1,102	10.547	2,511	2,022	.....	.....	.....	183,409
1848	57,886	109,034	19,228	3,370	3,497	3,670	$682	$14,177	.....	241,544
	1,003,180	3,995,170	499,094	2,333,616	32,396	49,163	682	44,177	34.237	7.991.685

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Periods.	Deposited at the branch mints.				Mint and branches.
	Branch mint at Charlotte, N. Carolina.	Branch mint at Dahlonega, Georgia.	Branch mint at New Orleans.	Total at the branch mints.	Total deposites of U. States gold.
1824	.....	.....	.....	.....	$5,000
1825	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,000
1826	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,000
1827	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,000
1828	.....	.....	.....	.....	46,000
1829	.....	.....	.....	.....	110,000
1830	.....	.....	.....	.....	466,000
1831	.....	.....	.....	.....	520,000
1832	.....	.....	.....	.....	678,000
1833	.....	.....	.....	.....	868,000
1834	.....	.....	.....	.....	898,000
1835	.....	.....	.....	.....	698,500
1836	.....	.....	.....	.....	467,000
1837	.....	.....	.....	.....	282,000
1838	$127,000	$135,700	$700	$263,400	435,100
1839	126,836	113,035	6,869	246,740	385,240
1840	124,726	121,858	2,835	249,419	426,185
1841	129,847	161,974	1,818	293,639	542,117
1842	174,508	323,372	5,630	503,510	777,097
1843	272,064	570,080	22,573	864,717	1,045,445
1844	167,348	479,794	25,036	672,178	967,200
1845	.....	498,632	20,313	518,945	1,008,327
1846	196,381	455,149	21,758	673,288	1,139,357
1847	344,054	352,366	9,256	705,676	889,035
1848	370,799	274,473	12,589	657,861	899,405
	2,033,563	3,486,433	129,377	5,649,373	13,641,053

C.

Coinage of the mint of the United States in the several years from its establishment, in 1792, *and including the coinage of the branch mints from the commencement of their operations, in* 1838.

Years.	GOLD.	SILVER.	COPPER.	WHOLE COINAGE.	
	Value.	Value.	Value.	No. of pieces.	Value.
1793 }					
1794 }	$71,485 00	$370,683 80	$11,373 00	1,834,420	$453,541 80
1795 }					
1796	102,727 50	79,077 50	10,324 40	1,219,370	192,129 40
1797	103,422 50	12,591 45	9,510 34	1,095,165	125,524 29
1798	205,610 00	330,291 00	9,797 00	1,368,241	545,698 00
1799	213,285 00	423,515 00	9,106 68	1,365,681	645,906 68
1800	317,760 00	224,296 00	29,279 40	3,337,972	571,335 40
1801	422,570 00	74,758 00	13,628 37	1,571,390	510,956 37
1802	423,310 00	58,343 00	34,422 83	3,615,869	516,075 83
1803	258,377 50	87,118 00	25,203 03	2,780,830	370,698 53
1804	258,642 50	100,340 50	12,844 94	2,046,839	371,827 94
1805	170,367 50	149,388 50	13,483 48	2,260,361	333,239 48
1806	324,505 00	471,319 00	5,260 00	1,815,409	801,084 00
1807	437,495 00	597,448 75	9,652 21	2,731,345	1,044,595 96
1808	284,665 00	684,300 00	13,090 00	2,935,888	982,055 00
1809	169,375 00	707,376 00	8,001 53	2,861,834	884,752 53
1810	501,435 00	638,773 50	15,660 00	3,056,418	1,155,868 50
1811	497,905 00	603,340 00	2,495 95	1,649,570	1,103,740 95
1812	290,435 00	814,029 50	10,755 00	2,761,646	1,115,219 50
1813	477,140 00	620,951 50	4,180 00	1,755,331	1,102,271 50
1814	77,270 00	561,687 50	3,578 30	1,833,859	642,535 80
1815	3,175 00	17,308 00	.....	69,867	20,483 00
1816	.....	28,575 75	28,209 82	2,888,135	56,785 57
1817	.....	607,783 50	39,484 00	5,163,967	647,267 50
1818	242,940 00	1,070,454 50	31,670 00	5,537,084	1,345,064 50
1819	258,615 00	1,140,000 00	26,710 00	5,074,723	1,425,325 00
1820	1,319,030 00	501,680 70	41,075 50	6,492,509	1,864,786 20
1821	189,325 00	825,762 45	3,890 00	3,139,249	1,018,977 45
1822	88,980 00	805,806 50	20,723 39	3,813,788	915,509 89
1823	72,425 00	895,550 00	.....	2,166,485	967,975 00
1824	93,200 00	1,752,477 00	12,620 00	4,786,894	1,858,297 00
1825	156,385 00	1,564,583 00	14,926 00	5,178,760	1,735,894 00
1826	92,245 00	2,002,090 00	16,344 25	5,774,434	2,110,679 25
1827	131,565 00	2,869,200 00	23,577 32	9,097,845	3,024,342 32
1828	146,145 00	1,575,600 00	25,636 24	6,196,853	1,741,381 24
1829	295,717 50	1,994,578 00	16,580 00	7,674,501	2,306,875 50
1830	643,105 00	2,495,400 00	17,115 00	8,357,191	3,155,620 00
1831	714,270 00	3,175,600 00	33,603 60	11,792,284	3,923,473 60
1832	798,435 00	2,579,000 00	23,620 00	9,123,387	3,401,055 00
1833	978,550 00	2,759,000 00	28,160 00	10,307,790	3,765,710 00
1834	3,954,270 00	3,415,002 00	19,151 00	11,637,643	7,388,423 00
1835	2,186,175 00	3,443,003 00	39,489 00	15,996,342	5,668,667 00
1836	4,135,700 00	3,606,100 00	23,100 00	13,719,333	7,764,900 00
1837	1,148,305 00	2,096,010 00	55,583 00	13,010,721	3,299,898 00
1838	1,809,595 00	2,333,243 00	63,702 00	15,780,311	4,206,540 00
1839	1,355,885 00	2,189,296 00	31,286 61	11,811,594	3,576,467 61
1840	1,675,302 50	1,726,703 00	24,627 00	10,558,240	3,426,632 50
1841	1,091,597 50	1,132,759 00	15,973 67	8,811,968	2,240,321 17
1842	1,834,170 50	2,332,750 00	23,833 90	11,743,153	4,190,754 40
1843	8,108,797 50	3,834,750 00	24,283 20	14,640,582	11,967,830 70
1844	5,428,230 00	2,235,550 00	23,987 52	9,051,834	7,687,767 52
1845	3,756,447 50	1,873,200 00	38,948 04	11,806,196	5,668,595 54
1846	4,034,177 50	2,558,580 00	41,208 00	10,133,515	6,633,965 50
1847	20,221,385 00	2,374,450 00	61,836 69	15,392,314	22,657,671 69
1848	3,775,512 50	2,040,050 00	64,157 99	12,649,790	5,879,720 49
	76,341,440 00	73,466,514 90	1,209,759 20	343,281,750	151,017,714 10